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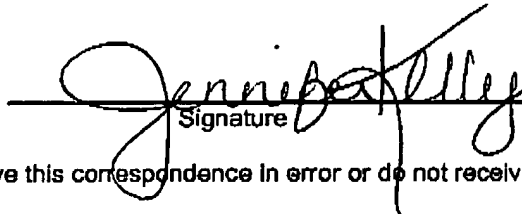
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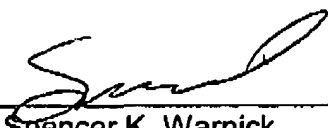
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Invention: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE FORMED BY IN-SITU MODIFICATION OF DIELECTRIC LAYER AND RELATED METHODS						
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	13	MINUS	20	0	\$50	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	0	\$200	\$0
_____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>12/14/2005</u> to and through _____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div> _____ one month (\$120.00) _____ two months (\$450.00) </div> <div> _____ three months (\$1,020.00) _____ four months (\$1,590.00) </div> </div>						
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_____ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. _____ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached. _____ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account _____. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <u>March 14, 2006</u> Date </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  _____ Spencer K. Warnick Reg. No. 40,398 </div> </div>						

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2005.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows: